

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.
7:00 P.M., Monday, July 6, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeff Grove at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A moment of silence was held for Kevin Caufield, reporter from the News Tribune, who passed away this past week.

ROLL CALL

Present- Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

Excused Absence: None

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore that the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on Monday, June 22, 2015 are accepted and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

A short presentation was made by Pastor Cameron Graper of the Ax Church and Pastor Ed Curry of the Abundant Life Fellowship regarding the recent Hope Week that was held. Hope Week included seven days of service which was a combined effort of four churches that resulted in 926 volunteer service hours. 150 volunteers worked for seven days to accomplish nine projects in the City of La Salle. These projects included painting four classrooms and hallways at Northwest Elementary, cleaning up trash and pulling weeds from the downtown area, repainting curbs, repainting playground equipment, working at the La Salle Library and cleaning up at Rotary Park after Celebrate La Salle. The four churches involved were the Ax Church, Abundant Life Fellowship, Crossbridge Church and A Servant's Heart. The churches put over \$5,000 into the community. Pastor Graper's goal is that Hope Week will continue with more churches, more projects and more service hours.

Mayor Grove read letters of thanks and appreciation from the City of La Salle and the La Salle Business Association recognizing the volunteers for their efforts during Hope Week.

Mayor Grove also recognized Ron and Nina Burkhart who planted and maintained the planters on Route 351 for many years. Since Mr. Burkhart's retirement from the City, Karen Duncan has taken over that duty and the Mayor thanked her for her efforts. In addition, Mayor Grove recognized US Silica for assistance with preparation for Celebration of Lights as well as building a new shelter at Rotary Park. He also thanked Michelle Tonozzi Spayer's Boy Scout troop for clean up efforts along the towpath.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan to grant the request of Ameren Illinois to break ground at 505 Edwards Apartments 2 and 3 to retire gas service.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of Pastor Michael Shaver to hold its third annual Back to School Block Party on Sunday, August 2, 2015 blocking off 8th Street between Crosat and La Harpe Streets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to grant the request of the March of Dimes to hold a Tag Day Collection on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the intersection of 11th and Bucklin Streets.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Duncan to grant the request of Greg Wiesbrock to break curb at 104 Garfield Avenue.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and deny the request of Candis Kenny on behalf of the American Diabetes Association and related matters.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept and place on file the Monthly Police Income Report for May 2015 showing total fees collected of \$7,260.71. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to appoint Mike Furlan and Sam McNeilly to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Appointments: Mike Furlan and Sam McNeilly to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Schneider to reappoint Joanne Benassi and Mary Claire Klinefelter to the Library Board.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Reappointments: Joanne Benassi and Mary Claire Klinefelter to the Library Board until 2018

Mayor Grove recognized Cristy Stupegia and the Library staff for their sponsorship of the "Legacy Sisters" at Celebrate La Salle and for on-going support and assistance with other City sponsored events.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Demes commented that it was nice to see an activity at Rotary Park. Mayor Grove agreed and thanked all City departments for their assistance with Celebrate La Salle. Alderman Reynolds recognized Jeff Bumgarner individually for his efforts to prepare for Celebrate La Salle.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners and promote James Strand to the position of Sergeant. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Aldermen Reynolds reminded residents that grass clippings should not be put into the street and residents are required to clean up after their pets.

Alderman Ptak received a request to replace the yield sign currently westbound on First Street and Canal with a Stop sign. Discussion followed. A straw vote was taken and all aldermen were in favor of replacing the sign with the exception of Alderman Lavieri. A formal vote will be taken at the July 22, 2015 meeting.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file **Resolution 201504** requesting authorization from the Illinois Department of Transportation to allow the City of La Salle to proceed with streetscape improvements along Illinois 351. (Sidewalk from Canal to First Street on Illinois 351). Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider
NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Resolution 201504: requesting authorization from the Illinois Department of Transportation to allow the City of La Salle to proceed with streetscape improvements along Illinois 351. (Sidewalk from Canal to First Street on Illinois 351).

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file **Ordinance 2583:** An ordinance Approving and Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of LaSalle and Central Illinois Trucks, Inc. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider
NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Ordinance 2583– An ordinance Approving and Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of LaSalle and Central Illinois Trucks, Inc.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Ptak to approve and place on file **Ordinance 2584:** An ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Further Exploration and Planning Regarding Potential Creation of Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Center and Emergency Services Dispatch Consolidation to Add the Bureau County Emergency Telephone System Board and the City of Mendota as Members of the Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Center Planning Board. (City of La Salle, La Salle County, Illinois) Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider
NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Ordinance 2584–Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Further Exploration and Planning Regarding Potential Creation of Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Center and Emergency Services Dispatch Consolidation to Add the Bureau County Emergency Telephone System Board and the City of Mendota as Members of the Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Center Planning Board. (City of La Salle, La Salle County, Illinois)

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Schneider to approve and place on file **Ordinance 2585:** An ordinance Amending and Updating Ordinance Number 2187 being an ordinance

adopting formal policy in reference to addressing sexual harassment. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: Alderman Duncan, Alderman Herndon

Motion Carried 8-0

Ordinance 2585– An Ordinance Amending and Updating Ordinance Number 2187 being an ordinance adopting formal policy in reference to addressing sexual harassment.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve and place on file

Ordinance 2586: An ordinance Ordinance Updating and Further Regulating Certain Provisions Regarding Handicapped Parking. (1168 Hennepin) Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

Ordinance 2586– Ordinance Updating and Further Regulating Certain Provisions Regarding Handicapped Parking. (1168 Hennepin)

COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that bills submitted totaling \$341,655.38 (Total Payroll \$194,531.62, Bills to be Paid \$122,310.72, Total Bills Paid \$24,813.04) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

NAY: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion Carried 8-0

City Engineer Brian Brown stated that the bid opening for the 2015 MFT Program is set for July 14, 2015 and the LaFayette Street Watermain project should begin within two weeks.

Alderman Reynolds announced that on July 16, 2015 there will be a meeting at 8:00 a.m. at Lock 16 to discuss improvements and future plans for Celebrate La Salle.

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

ADJOURNED 7:31 p.m.



Carrie L. Brown, City Clerk